

Extension Grants e-news

Welcome to Extension Grants e-news! In this issue you will find quick accessible information on grant announcements that relate to University of Georgia extension activities. This newsletter will also feature *extension grant success stories* (p.4), grant writing tools, and updates on Project Mission Fish. *Control + Click on purple/underlined grant titles for contact and application information.*

New Grants

Startup Funds for Educational Websites

The Institute for Interactive Journalism and the John S. and James L. Knight Foundation New Voices Community News Grants help fund the start-up of 40 micro-local, news projects and support them with two educational Web sites.

Maximum Award: \$17,000

Eligibility: 501(c) 3 organizations and education institutions, including civic groups, community organizations, public broadcasters, schools, colleges and universities

Deadline: February 20, 2007

"Grants to Increase Impact of Service-Learning Projects on Climate Change"

Youth Service America and the Civil Society Institute are awarding Red, White, and Green Climate Change Grants to design a service-learning project that promotes awareness about climate change and possible solutions. Projects should be youth-led, and the service must take place between May 1 and October 31, 2007

Maximum Award: \$500

Eligibility: youth between the ages of 15-25 or to organizations that serve engage youth ages 15-25

Deadline: March 9, 2007

"Rewarding Organizations & Individuals Reducing the High School Dropout Rate"

The 2007 Pew Partnership Civic Change Award will recognize organizations or individuals that demonstrate long-term concern for their community's odds of success by implementing collaborations specifically aimed at reducing

the high school dropout rate.

Maximum Award: \$2500

Eligibility: individuals or organizations working within their community

Deadline: March 31, 2007

"Grants for Community Improvement Programs"

Hamburger Helper is looking to lend a helping hand to neighborhoods nationwide with its "My Hometown Helper" grant program. Individuals from communities and organizations across America can submit a written essay of 250 words or less describing how the "My Hometown Helper" grant would help improve their community project.

Maximum Award: \$15,000

Eligibility: municipal or civic organization or public school

Deadline: May 31, 2007

"Public Beautification and Horticultural Education"

Fiskars Project Orange Thumb grants award Fiskars Garden Tools and materials such as plants, seeds, mulch, etc. to eligible gardening groups.

Maximum Award: \$1,500

Eligibility: gardens and/or gardening projects geared toward community involvement, neighborhood beautification, horticultural education and/or sustainable agriculture.

Deadline: February 28, 2007

"Encouraging Students to Learn More About Energy Conservation & the Environment"

The National Igniting Creative Energy Challenge is an educational competition designed to encourage students to learn more

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about energy conservation and the environment. Student entries must reflect the theme "Igniting Creative Energy" and demonstrate an understanding of what an individual, family or group can do to make a difference in their home or community.

Maximum Award: \$1,000

Eligibility: students in grades K-12

Deadline: February 17, 2007

Federal Grants

U.S. Department of Health & Human Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) -- Recovery Community Services Program (RCSP) to deliver peer-to-peer recovery support services that help prevent relapse and promote sustained recovery from alcohol and drug use disorders

Deadline: February 28, 2007

Grants to Reduce Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking on Campus Program

The primary purpose of the Campus Program is to develop and strengthen victim services in cases involving domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault and stalking on campuses.

Deadline: March 8, 2007

Value: \$300,000

Ethics Education in Science and Engineering

This program considers proposals for research and educational projects to improve ethics education in all of the fields of science and engineering that NSF supports, including in interdisciplinary or inter-institutional contexts.

Application Deadline: April 10, 2007

Value: 12 awards with a total of \$1,850,000

Take Action: Healthy People, Places and Practices in Communities Project, the proposed activities should address one or more of the four parts of the President's HealthierUS initiative.

Deadline: March 30, 2007

Value: \$2000-\$5000

Community Participation in Research:

programs ranging from environmental health, health care cost, and population

Application Deadline: May 18, 2007

Value: varies with specific program

Ecosystem Science

Supports research on natural, managed, and disturbed ecosystems, including those in terrestrial, freshwater, and wetland (including salt marsh) environments

Deadline: July 9, 2007

Value: Varies

Youth Farm Safety supports national efforts to deliver timely, pertinent, and appropriate training to youth seeking employment or already employed in agricultural production

Deadline: April 6, 2007

Value: award number varies, value \$440,000



Grants with Revolving Deadlines

\$40,000 for nonprofits helping low-income children

Grant Title: Rosie's For All Kids Foundation Grants

Organization: Rosie's For All Kids Foundation

Eligibility: Nonprofits helping low-income children

Value: \$15,000-\$30,000 per award, number of awards varies

Public Welfare Foundation

Grants to fund: community development, criminal justice, environment, health, human rights/global security, reproductive and sexual health, youth special opportunities, and civic participation

Eligibility: Nonprofits

Value: \$25,000-\$50,000

Wal-Mart- Community Pride Grant

Grants to benefit local and community

Value: estimated up to \$2,000

Contact: Local Wal-Mart Community Relations

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Jimmy Buffett Singing for Change

Projects should improve the quality of life for people empowering individuals to make positive changes in their communities.

Value: Grants of less than \$1000 can be awarded with LOI submitted at any time

Ben and Jerry's Foundation

Grant projects and activities should create social change and be examples of creative problem-solving. Focus areas include: environment and institutions and focus on new ways of thinking and acting.

Value: Grants of less than \$1000 can be awarded from a LOI submitted at any time

Dollar General Community Grants

Grants to benefit community, adult, and youth literacy, back to school programs, and libraries

Value: up to \$2500

Next Deadline: March 2, 2007

Captain Planet Foundation

The grant supports youth grades K-12 in hands-on environmental projects.

Value: From \$250-\$2500

Applications can be filled out online, and are reviewed quarterly.

Upcoming Mission Fish Listings

February.....**UP NOW ON EBAY!**
1984 4-H Collector's Edition Cokes

These Collector's Edition Coca-Cola bottles from 1984 commemorate the 30 year anniversary of Rock Eagle 4-H Center in Eatonton, Georgia. With the original beverage still intact and proudly displaying Rock Eagle on the reverse, these bottles represent the 30 years of service provided to 1,000,000 citizens of Georgia by the "World's Largest 4-H Center." 100% of the proceeds from this sale will support the Georgia 4-H Foundation.

Coming Soon:

Original Good Luck Atlas Canning Jars

Donated by Mrs. Cheryl Reed

Autographed David Pollack All-American Cap

Donated by Mr. Bill Edwards

Antique 4-H Project Pins

Donated by Mrs. Cheryl Varnadoe

Antique "State of Georgia" Scenic Cards

Donated by Echols County 4-H

Jack Davis 4-H Day Prints

Check the Georgia 4-H web site for updates:
www.georgia4h.org

100% of the proceeds of these sales benefit The Georgia 4-H Foundation.



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2006 Georgia Youth Summit: Education, Health, Community Development, And Safety

By: Jeff Buckley

On September 30th, 2006, over 650 participants from 133 Georgia Counties gathered at the Rock Eagle 4-H Center in Eatonton Georgia to participate in the 3rd Biennial Georgia Youth Summit. The theme for the three day event was "Georgia Leaders Lighting the Way." Sponsored by the Georgia Rural Development Council and organized by Georgia 4-H, the goals of the Georgia Youth Summit are to create an awareness of state/local issues, to enhance youth-adult partnerships on the local level, and to equip youth to become active locally in the betterment of their community.



County teams who attended the Georgia Youth Summit were eligible to apply for mini-grants to help get their project going. The Department of Community affairs provided \$10,000 to help jump-start, or continue the work that county teams are doing to address needs in their communities. These funds are administered by State 4-H staff members who will track the progress of grant recipients and report on their successes. *We congratulate the following counties and wish them success as they move forward with their projects: Burke, Butts, Charlton, Chatham, Cherokee, Cobb, Dodge, Evans, Fulton, Glynn, Harris, Jackson, Jenkins, Lamar, Long, Madison, McIntosh, Pike, Spalding, Taylor, Telfair, Terrell and Wilkes.*



Chevron Community Pride Evans County 4-H

By: Stephanie Myers

Evans County Senior 4-H'ers "adopted" room 200 at Evans Memorial Hospital with a goal that this project would be completed by kids for kids. In collaboration with 4-H staff, a project committee was initiated with individual 4-H'ers being responsible for completing different phases of the project. After polling other 4-H members, hospital personnel, and community citizens, the group decided to re-decorate room 200, turning it into the only pediatric room in the hospital. An active youth leader in our Senior 4-H Club accepted the role of Chairperson for this project. She worked diligently to secure funds, obtain in-kind donations of paint and wallpaper border from a local hardware store, and facilitated scheduling 4-H'ers and staff to volunteer their time to paint, hang wallpaper border, decorations, and make curtains for the room. Her total efforts procured a donation of \$880 in materials and monetary support, as well as an undetermined amount of volunteer hours to facilitate the project. Additionally, Stephanie Myers applied and received a Chevron Community Pride Grant in the amount of \$200 that was used to help purchase a reclining vinyl chair to be placed in the room for use by a child's parent/guardian. The administration staff of Evans Memorial Hospital conducted a ribbon cutting ceremony in February 2005, officially dedicating the room to the Evans County 4-H Club. A plaque was placed on the door of room 200 recognizing the hard work of these 4-H'ers and publicized in the local newspaper.

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Jackson County 4-H Hooked on Books

By: Wanda McLocklin

Reading is perhaps one of the most valuable life skills that any person needs to survive. Jackson County 4-H youth want to make a difference in the community through the "Hooked On Books" summer reading camp. Ten members of the Jackson County 4-H Club and the County Extension Agent formed a partnership with the Jackson County Board of Education, Family Connection and the Jefferson City Library to plan and conduct a summer reading day camp.



"Hooked on Books 2006" summer reading program was funded by a 2006 4-H Literacy Education Mini-grant in partnership with the National 4-H Council, Bridgestone/Firestone Trust Fund, and Firestone Agricultural Tire Company. Jackson County 4-H was awarded \$2000 from this grant and has also been awarded a \$1,000 NEA4-HA Beyond Youth Leadership and \$500 Youth Summit Grant.

Radon Education Grant Reaches Children & Adults

By: Becky Chenhall



In 2003, the Radon Education Program began with an annual \$130,000 grant from EPA to conduct radon education. Last fall, Becky Chenhall, a Family and Consumer Sciences Radon Educator, promoted the National Radon

Recent Grants Awarded

- Burton 4-H Center Recycle Program, The Captain Planet Foundation, **\$2000**
- The Georgia 4-H Foundation, Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation to sponsor Outdoor Recreation Project, **\$750**
- McIntosh County 4-H "A Multi-media Exploratory for Rural Youth," The Golden Isles Arts and Humanities Association, **\$1289**
- Burton 4-H Center Staff Housing through The Georgia 4-H Foundation, HUD, **\$75,000**
- Jefferson County Extension Agricultural Grant awarded by Jefferson County Cattlemen's Association, **\$5,500**
- Walton County Extension, Georgia Council for the Arts Grassroots Art Program awarded us **\$1169** for an ART Project
- Walton County Extension, Walton EMC Round-up awarded **\$1932**, for Wildlife Judging Team to attend National Contest.
- Emanuel County Extension, Georgia NRA Foundation, **\$3,673** for Shooting Sports Team
- Wheeler County Extension, Georgia NRA Foundation, **\$1000**, for Shooting Sports Team

Poster Contest to students at Youth Middle School in Loganville during a 4-H Meeting.

Sixth grader, Sydney O'Rourke Walker became interested in radon. She entered the contest with her creative "Taste no, see no, smell no" radon poster. Sydney placed first in Walton County entries. She plans to use the theme for her 4-H CPA demonstration.

Sydney and her family were invited to the State of Georgia Radon Poster Contest Awards Ceremony held at the EPA Athens facility. During the awards program, Sydney's mother, Leah O'Rourke, learned more about radon and its potential health hazards. She discovered that radon is the second leading cause of lung cancer in the United States. She received a complimentary radon test kit, tested her home, and found high radon levels. The O'Rourke's fixed the radon problem after Becky Chenhall provided radon information and a list of certified mitigators.

Sydney and her mother continue to share the life saving radon message with others. "Everyone should test their home for radon, and if elevated levels are found, fix it!"